GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

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WELFARE OF BEEDI WORKERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount received by the Government out of cess levied on Bidi;

(b) the amount out of the total spent for various welfare activities for the Bidi workers during the last three years; and

(c) the number of Tuberculosis Hospitals sanctioned for the Bidi workers by the Government alongwith location thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a): The amount received by the Government out of cess levied on Beedi from 4/1998 to 3/2001 is Rs.118.07 crore.

(b): The amount out of the total spent for various welfare activities for the Beedi Workers during the last three years is given as under:-

(Rs. in crores)

Sub-head	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01
1. Administration	2.05	2.46	2.58
2. Health	15.26	17.93	21.35
3. Education	10.61	12.81	19.82
4. Recreation	0.17	0.17	0.27
5. Housing	3.33	4.47	8.04
Total	31.42	37.84	52.06

(c): One 50 bedded tuberculosis hospital has been sanctioned for the Beedi Workers at Karma, Jharkhand.